

MINUTES
RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
March 9, 2026

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, March 9, 2026 at the Richland Township Municipal Building, 322 Schoolhouse Road, Johnstown, PA 15904 at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Bob Heffelfinger, Chair

Keith W. Saylor

Brian H. Lehman

Jeffrey D. Wingard

W. Ray McCombie, via phone conference

Bryan J. Beppler, Executive Director

George Gvozdich, Jr., Solicitor

Tiffany Shomo, Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Heffelfinger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MINUTES – FEBRUARY 23, 2026

Mr. Wingard moved to approve the minutes of February 23, 2026 as distributed, seconded by Mr. Saylor. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVE AGENDA - ANY CHANGES TO WRITTEN AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS - *The Public has the right and the opportunity to comment on any agenda item.*

No comments.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Tribune-Democrat - Newspaper In Education Adopt-A-Classroom Sponsorship

A letter was received from The Tribune Democrat thanking Richland Township for participating in the Adopt-A-Classroom program for the 2025/2026 school year.

OLD BUSINESS

Spring Cleanup – Bid Opening

One bid was received from Pro Disposal. Mr. Lehman read the bid amounts, which are \$63.50 per ton by weight and \$160.00 per hour for employees and trucks. The proposed dates are between April 27 and June 5. A 10% bond was received with the bid. Mr. Beppler noted that the previous year's rates were \$63.50 per ton by weight and \$158.00 per hour for employees and trucks. Mr. Lehman made a motion to recommend approval of the bid, subject to qualifications. Seconded by Mr. Wingard. All in favor. Motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS

Payment of the Bills

Mr. Lehman moved to approve the general fund bills totaling \$102,922.71, and payroll in the amount of \$102,153.35, seconded by Mr. Saylor. All in favor. Motion carried.

Designate Emily Pollino as Right to Know Officer, effective March 9, 2026

Mr. Wingard made a motion to designate Emily Pollino as Right to Know officer. Seconded by Mr. Lehman. All in favor. Motion carries.

Berkheimer Resolution – Online Account Authorization

Mr. Saylor made a motion to approve the Berkheimer resolution. Seconded by Mr. Wingard All in favor. Motion carries.

Public Comment

Ms. Lehman asked if the board would still be collecting leaves. Mr. Heffelfinger stated that leaves will be collected and the limb drop off program would remain.

Ms. Karen Miller expressed concerns regarding the property at 412 Kenneth Ave, noting that she had heard reports that a halfway house or a home for individuals with disabilities might be planned there and that neighbors are worried. Mr. Beppler stated that he had spoken with a party involved and understood that the property may house two or three older female residents from a particular area. He clarified that it would not be a halfway house but rather a group home intended to blend into the community, and he does not anticipate it becoming an issue.

Ms. Miller also raised concerns about speeding on Erickson Drive. Mr. Heffelfinger stated that the matter would be passed along to the Police Chief. Mr. Douglas Ewig added that there was an electric speed limit sign located further down Erickson Drive, but not in their area.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Shomo

Tiffany Shomo
Secretary